GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES
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BIO FUEL POWER PLANTS AND SMALL POWER PLANTS
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Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Biogas fuel power plants and other small power plants are proposed to be set up along with capacity` thereof in the country, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government studied the possibility of these projects and the response from private sector and NGO`s in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details of such proposals pending with the Government, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES

(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

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(a): The Ministry of Non-Conventional Energy Sources has been implementing small power generating projects under various programmes such as biomass gasifier, small hydro power, solar photovoltaic and urban and industrial wastes throughout the country by providing susbsidies/financial assistance. State-wise targets are not allocated by the Ministry for such projects. Two biogas fuel power plants, one 1.2 MW from poultry waste in Tamilnadu and another 4.00 MW from municipal solid waste in Maharashtra are being set up during the year 2000-2001. A target of 7 MW of biomass gasifier, 40 MW of small hydro power, 275 kW of solar photovoltaic (non-grid connected), 300 kW of solar power (grid connected) and 10 MW of energy from waste has been fixed during the year 2000-2001.

(b)&(c): The Ministry considers such projects depending upon the technical feasibility and economic viability of available technologies throughout the country. The Ministry encourages the participation of private sector and NGOs under its various schemes.The above two biogas fuel power projects are being set up in the private sector. No such proposals are pending with the Ministry.